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TOPIC Oranienburg Airfield
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1. On 19 January 1952, [REDACTED] who was formerly stationed at Oranienburg airfield surprisingly appeared [REDACTED] in Oranienburg and ordered spare bolts for towing bars which were manufactured in this workshop. The [REDACTED] where he should send the bill since the unit was no longer at Oranienburg. [REDACTED] he was presently stationed at Brand airfield. (1) Before the unit left Oranienburg some airmen had [REDACTED] that the airfield was no longer serviceable because of the poor condition of the runway. [REDACTED] the runway will be covered with a new layer of concrete. (2)
2. Between 11:30 a. m. and 1 p. m. on 19 January, no aircraft were observed at the field. The interior of the hangars could not be observed. The sentries at the entrance to the field wore black-bordered blue epaulets. [REDACTED] (3) At least 30 trucks were parked in open sheds between the barracks installation and Baerenklau Bridge.
3. On 17 January, [REDACTED] it was an air force construction unit. The supply officer was Major Erorve (fmu) (phonetic spelling). [REDACTED] (4)
4. On 11 February, no aircraft were observed at the field. The large hangar was closed. The landing field and runway were covered with about 8cm of snow. No construction or any other indications of intended construction were observed.
5. Soviet Air Force soldiers were quartered in the former Hans Schemm School in the restricted Weisse Stadt Settlement. The houses on both sides of the road leading from Weisse Stadt toward the sawmill were lightly occupied. The headquarters building just north of the sawmill was vacant. A group of 15 air force lieutenants, senior lieutenants and 4 officers with red cap ribbons, in the company of a captain, marched from the restricted area to the field. The officers were shown around the field in order to familiarize them with the installation. [REDACTED]

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[] Comments.

(1) The jet bomber regiment from Oranienburg was actually transferred to Brand in December 1951.

(2) The assumption that the runway is to be given a new concrete cover is credible. [] It is not known whether the runway is also to be extended.

(3) []

(4) For sketch of airfield [] see Annex. This sketch supplements and corrects a previous sketch [] The information that an air force construction unit is concerned was previously reported. The name of the supply officer is reported for the first time.

(5) This information confirms that no changes occurred in Oranienburg up to 11 February 1952.

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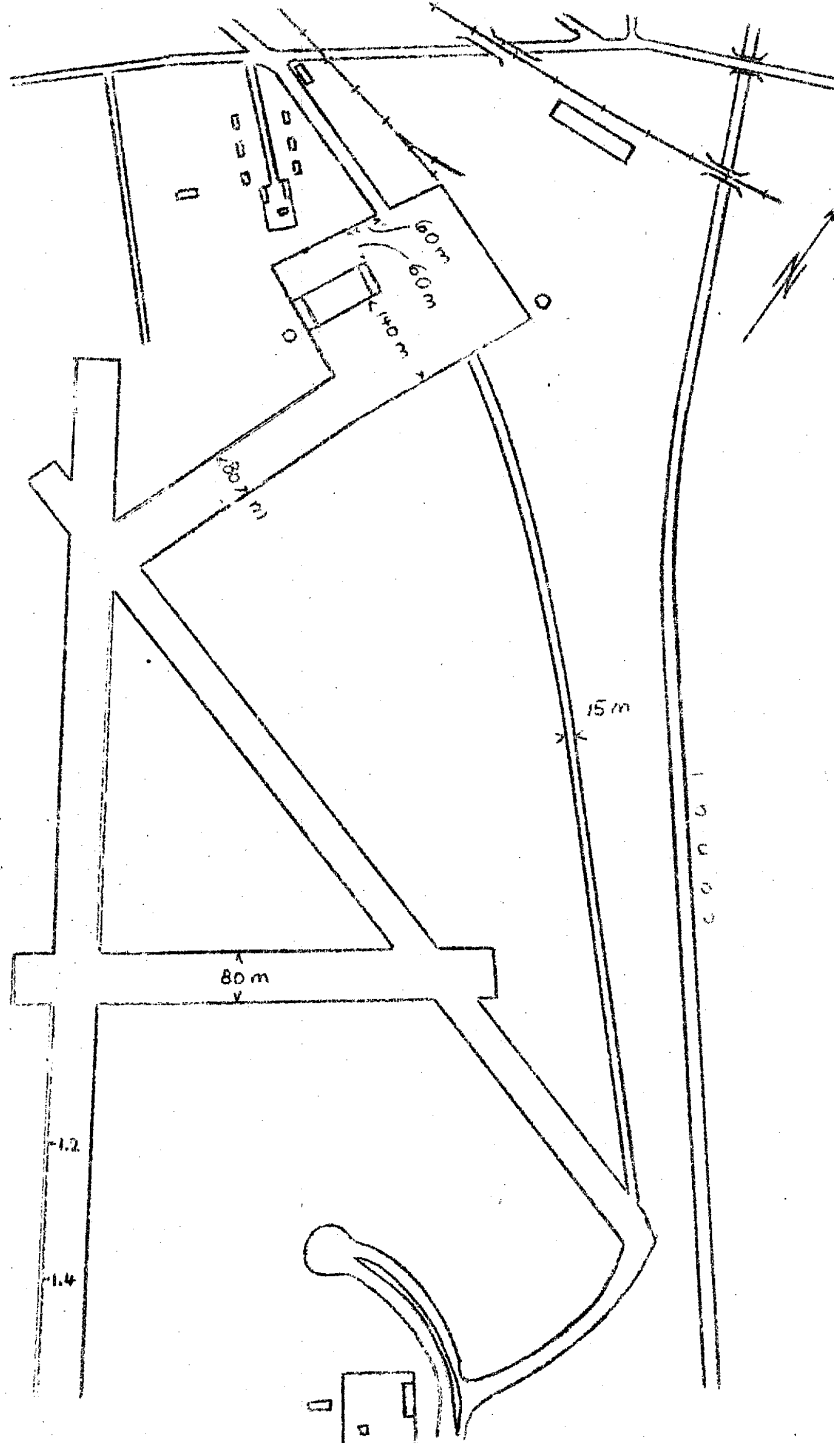
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